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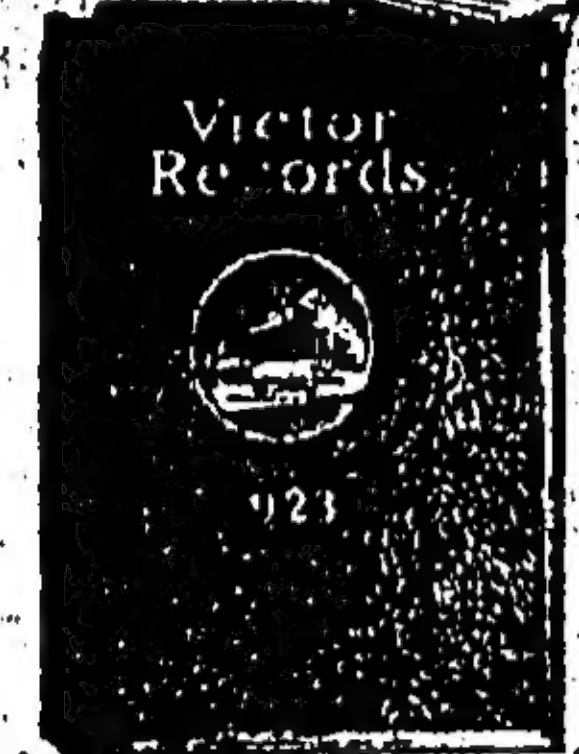
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service the China Mail.)

### INDIAN TAXATION DISPUTE.

#### VICEROY TAKES THE BULL BY THE HORNS.

##### UNBALANCED BUDGET DANGERS.

DELHI, March 29.  
Lord Reading has certified the finance bill doubling the salt tax.  
LATER.  
The Viceroy has made a statement defending his action on the ground that it is essential to the interests of India and the discharge of his responsibility to Parliament. He dwells on the necessity of rehabilitating India's credit, the insistence of press and public on financial equilibrium, and the absence of alternatives to the increased salt tax. He suggests that unbalanced budgets would involve danger for future India perhaps greater than any constitutional or political issue, while they would directly stifle the development and direction of education, public health, etc.  
Lord Reading points out that the salt tax earlier was higher than now proposed. The increase would have a infinitesimal effect on the poorer classes with favourable wages and reduced food prices. Any attack on the reforms scheme on account of the certification could only be due to misapprehension. He was convinced his action would prove for the ultimate benefit and development of the reforms and the advancement of India.

### EAST-SIBERIAN FORCES.

#### JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT.

LONDON, March 29.  
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has written to Baron Hayashi hoping for the sake of good feeling between the Japanese and British working classes that no such steps will be taken as indicated in a Russian note to Japan protesting against the arming of the White Army in East Siberia for the purpose of reopening hostilities.  
Baron Hayashi, replying, said that the remnants of the White Army were in North Saghalien. The Ambassador cited a recent statement by Count Uchida as showing the Russian protest was based on misinformation or misunderstanding.

### FRENCH BANK AFFAIR.

#### CHARGE AGAINST BERTHELOT.

PARIS, March 29.  
An all-night sitting of the Chamber of Deputies produced an excited exchange when M. Ybarnegaray requested a discussion on the Banque Industrielle de Chine. He violently attacked M. Briand.  
The latter was replying when M. Poincare intervened and declared that M. Briand did not know what M. Poincare had since learned, namely that M. Berthelot had received money from his brother. M. Poincare stated that penal responsibility would be established, but said this must be done by methods of justice.

### REPORTED DYING.

#### LENIN'S CONDITION WORSE.

HELSINGFORS, March 29.  
A bulletin about Lenin records a digestive disturbance causing a rise of temperature to 100.2.  
STOCKHOLM, March 29.  
The *Svenska Dagbladet* has received a circumstantial story allegedly based on a confidential message from Moscow to the Soviet Legation at Helsingfors to the effect that Lenin is dying and after his death a military dictatorship will be formed comprising Trotsky and five others.

### BRITAIN'S FOREIGN SERVICE.

#### CHINA CONSULAR POSTS.

LONDON, March 29.  
Details of the Civil Service estimates are published. The total for the foreign service is £1231,000, being a reduction of £219,000. Half the decrease is due to cessation of grants to refugees in the New East. Salaries and allowances generally have been increased. They include £15,000 for diplomatic posts, £3,000 for general consular, £11,500 for China, £4,000 for Japan and Siam, but the refund to the Indian revenues for services in China, Persia, Arabia and Siam is diminished by £223,000.

### TREASURE-TOMB-FINDER.

#### NOW DANGEROUSLY ILL.

##### INSECT'S POISONOUS BITE.

CAIRO, March 29.  
Lord Carnarvon, the discoverer of Tutankhamen's tomb, is in a critical condition owing to blood poisoning from an insect bite.

### BURMA OIL PAPERS.

#### "OBVIOUS FORGERIES."

##### BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S INQUIRIES.

LONDON, March 29.  
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir H. Craik in regard to the alleged proclamation signed by Queen Victoria and Lord Salisbury (as Secretary for India in 1884) and the concession to the Burma Oil Company mentioned several days ago, Mr. McNeill pointed out that Lord Salisbury ceased to be Secretary for India six years earlier and the language of the documents showed they were obvious forgeries. The United States Government had been so informed in 1921, but no official admission had been made till last year.  
Correspondence in the meantime had been diverted to a side issue, namely the precise effect of the existing legislation in India. The use of forged documents in a recent official report to the Senate and in the decision on the application for an oil lease by the late Secretary of State for the Interior had caused the Government to make further representations to the United States, eliciting the statement by Mr. Hughes already cabled. It was not clear from the Government's information whether the documents originated in the Bureau of Mines in 1919 or in the United States Consulate at Bombay.

### "DIVINE SARAH'S" FUNERAL.

#### IMPRESSIVE PARIS SCENES.

PARIS, March 29.  
The greatest crowds since the armistice paid final homage to Sarah Bernhardt. A million reverent watchers lined the streets through which the cortege wended its way. There were fifty carriages headed by five coaches bearing wreaths. These were followed by the remains of the tragedienne enclosed in the rosewood coffin which accompanied her travels for thirty years.  
The service was read in the Church of St. Francois de Sales, attended by ministers, officials, and leaders in the world of art and letters.  
The coffin was borne from the Church by actors followed by orphans carrying white palms. Thence it was conveyed to Pere la Chaise Cemetery and lowered into the tomb which was soon obscured from view by a profusion of flowers.

### AMERICA'S RHINE ARMY.

#### FIXING THE PAYMENTS.

PARIS, March 29.  
The committee on the cost of the American army of occupation which is examining American and Allied proposals for settlement has hitherto apparently unanimously agreed on the following principles:—  
Payment to America, with absolute priority, one milliard gold marks less the value of material handed over at the armistice, estimated between 30 and 40 million gold marks. Payment to be made in twelve annual instalments of 80 millions from Germany's specie payments without interest. Annual payments for the first four years are not to exceed 25 per cent of Germany's total payments. If such payments are below the necessary figure the balance will be carried forward, but from the fifth year America will receive the whole amount of the annual payments due irrespective of payments by Germany.

### CHINA'S RAILWAY SCHEMES.

#### GREAT BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE.

LONDON, March 29.  
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Walter de Frece, Mr. McNeill said that he was not aware that the Consortium had received a request from China for loans for railway construction. The Government, and doubtless the other Consortium powers also, would gladly do anything they properly could to facilitate railway construction in China on being satisfied that a reasonable standard of efficiency would be maintained on both existing and future railways, and that they would be placed on a sound financial footing.

### FRANCE'S HOUSING PROBLEM.

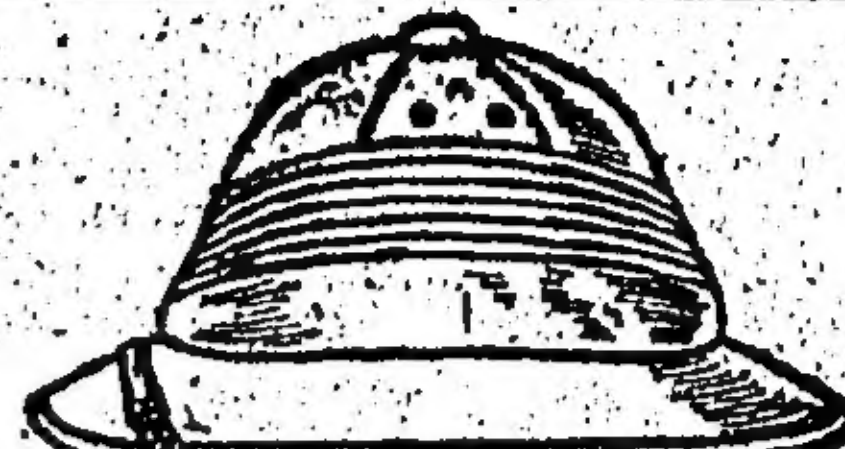
#### NEW RENT CONTROL LAW.

PARIS, March 29.  
The Chamber has adopted the new housing bill providing for control of rents of dwelling houses until January 1, 1925, and empowering increase of rents in the Paris region by 75 per cent compared with 1914 figures. Increases elsewhere must be referred to local committees.

### FRENCH NAVAL DEFENCE.

PARIS, March 29.  
The bill for naval defence introduced into the Chamber of Deputies, provides for the construction in the next decade of six light cruisers, 15 destroyers, 24 torpedo boats, and 14 submarines.

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## LAMMERT BROS.

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Public Auctions

Underground have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, April 3, 1923,  
at No. 1 Stewart Terrace (No. 87,  
The Peak)A Quantity of  
Valuable Household Furniture,  
Comprising:Teak hatstand, Chesterfield Couch  
and armchairs, Teak overmantel with  
bevelled mirror, Brass ornaments, Pic-  
tures, Carpets, curtains etc., etc.  
Teak extension dining table, Dining  
chairs, Teak sideboard, Dinner wagon,  
Teak screen, Glassware, Crockery,  
Cutlery, etc., etc.A Quantity of Plants and palms  
On View from Monday, the 2nd  
April 1923.Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms:—Cash on delivery.LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers,  
Hongkong, March 27, 1923.Underground have received in-  
structions from Mrs. Rosser to sell  
by Public Auction, onWEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,  
the 4th and 5th April 1923,  
commencing each day at 2.45 p.m.  
at "Harting" and "Bogata"  
Austin Road, Kowloon.The Whole of her  
Valuable Household Furniture,  
Comprising:Teak hatstand with bevelled mirror,  
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tens covered), Teak bookcase, Music  
Cabinet, Teak fenders, Fire brasses,  
Leather covered armchairs, Brass top  
dolls, card tables, Teak overmantels  
with bevelled mirror, Brass ornaments,  
Curtains, Carpets, Rugs etc., etc.  
Teak dining table and chairs, Fine  
teak sideboard with bevelled mirror,  
Dinner wagon, Silver cabinet, Croc-  
kery, Glassware, Cutlery, E. P. Ware  
etc., etc.Double and single teak and iron  
bedsteads, Teak double and single  
wardrobes with glass doors, Dressing  
tables, Marble top washstands, Chests  
of drawers, Toilets sets etc., etc.Also  
Cooking stoves and cooking utensils  
One Piano by Moutries  
One Victrola IXAnd  
1 Lot of records.One View from Tuesday, the 3rd  
April 1923  
Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms:—Cash on delivery.LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers,  
Hongkong, March 28, 1923.Particulars and Conditions of Sale  
of theVery Valuable Leasehold  
PropertyBeing The House and Portion of  
Inland Lot No. 538  
andThe Messuage Known as  
No. 10 Seymour Terrace  
to be sold byPUBLIC AUCTION  
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The property consists of:—

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June 1869 created by the Crown Lease  
of Inland Lot No. 538 dated the 25th  
day of August 1869 and made between  
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the one part and Frederick Henry  
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Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

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ground.Terms:—25% of purchase money to  
be paid on fall of hammer.  
Balance to be paid within two weeks  
of day of sale.LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers,  
Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

## INTIMATIONS

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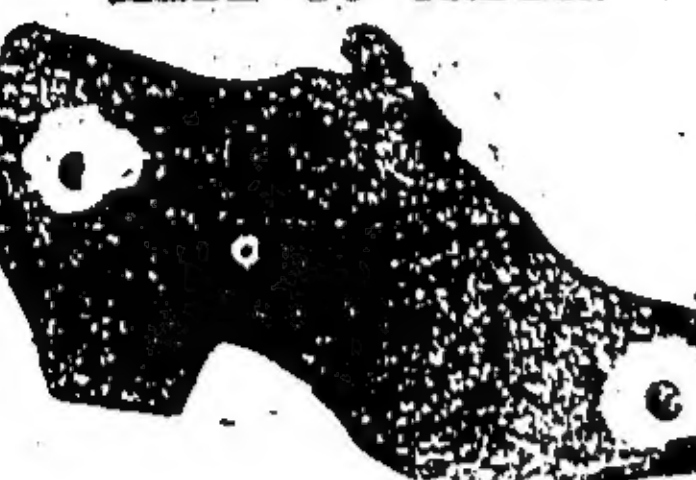
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## The Double Hat.

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is two hats in one, the *Pall Mall*  
*Gazette* informs us. The hat is  
made in two colours, one half, from  
crown to brim one colour, and the  
other half, another colour. The  
effect is quite attractive. Possibly  
a little startling to the mere man,  
for he is walking with a dame in a  
red hat, but if he changes over to  
walk on the other side of her—the  
lady will be wearing perhaps a  
brown hat!

## Dressmakers' Models.

The discovery at Luxor of a  
model on which the queen's robes  
were hung carries the dressmakers'  
model back into a far antiquity, al-  
though it was already known to be  
by no means a modern invention.  
As long ago as the fourteenth  
century, the *Daily Chronicle* tells us,  
the dress experts of Paris and Bur-  
gundy sent out dolls arrayed in the  
latest fashions to the great ladies  
of the rest of Europe, who were,  
no doubt, as interested in them as  
are their successors in any current  
exhibition of the new spring  
models.

## A War Reminiscence.

Among warships being broken  
up at Rosyth in terms of the  
Washington agreement is the New  
Zealand, which, as its name recalls,  
was a gift to the Navy from one of  
the outposts of Empire. I read  
the intimation with interest, for  
shortly after the Jutland affair, in  
which the New Zealand's services  
"in the thick of the battle" earned  
the special thanks of the Admiralty,  
I had the privilege of going aboard  
on a special mission. Of the signs  
of the fray, which were still fresh,  
I saw little and wrote less. As a  
matter of fact, considering the part  
she had played in the biggest  
naval fight of the war, the ship had  
come through the ordeal wonder-  
fully well. I saw, however, one  
memento of the occasion in the  
form of a jagged lump of shell  
which had "come aboard." The  
New Zealand, I remember, carried  
more than one Maori charm pre-  
sented by the natives with the ship.  
There was a greenstone "tiki" and  
a Maori mat, said to be invested  
with some occult protective powers,  
which was to be donned in action  
by the captain. Whether the officer  
wore the mat in the Jutland battle  
belongs, I am afraid, to the secret  
history of the war.

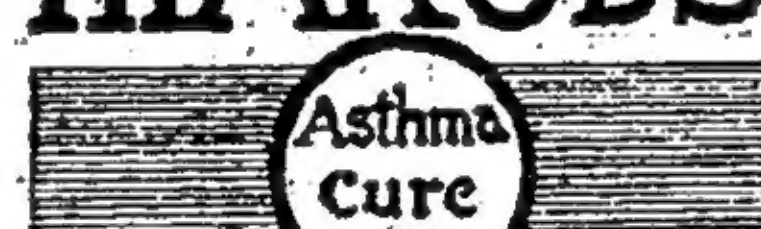
## Miss Tempest Returns.

The theatrical event of this week,  
otherwise a quiet period, is the  
return to the London stage of Miss  
Marie Tempest after an absence of  
some seven years or thereby, and a  
prolonged world tour, says the  
*Weekly Scotsman*. Her choice of a  
play for the Duke of York's Theatre  
is "Good Gracious, Annabelle," a  
modern comedy by Claire Beecher  
Kummer. There can be no  
doubt about the welcome Miss  
Tempest will receive, in any kind  
of play. The Londoner, fickle in  
many things, is faithful to stage  
favourites. The applications for  
first-night stalls, two days after theplay was announced, were fully  
300 in excess of the accommoda-  
tion, and it is stated that, before  
seeing the play, the ticket offices  
have booked it up for three months  
at least. The latest theatrical  
anecdote is concerned with an-  
other popular actress. Miss Sybil  
Thornhill recently gave some  
performances of Greek tragedy in a  
south coast watering-place. When  
her manager arrived at the theatre  
to make arrangements, the stage  
doorkeeper said to him, "Excuse  
me, Mr. Keable, but we've been this  
ere 'Midear' first perjured.""Roughly, about 2500 years ago,"  
The stage doorkeeper looked dis-  
appointed. "Thanky," he said."But I suppose it's now good me  
lookin' up the file of the *Hera* to  
see if it was a winner from the  
start."

## The "X" in X-Rays.

As is often the case with great  
scientific discoveries, Röntgen  
only won the race for immortal  
fame by a short head. A certain  
Dr. Glendinning, of Melbourne,  
had arrived at practically identical  
results as Röntgen, without so  
much as having ever heard his  
name, and had actually posted  
notes on them to England when  
the news of the German's discovery  
arrived.When Röntgen, while experi-  
menting with a highly exhausted  
vacuum tube, found that certain  
substances were made luminous,  
in spite of opaque objects between  
them and the tube, he called the  
rays which caused the lumines-  
cence "X-rays," X standing,  
as usual, for the unknown  
quantity. Since then the X  
has been solved—at least, there  
is general agreement that the rays  
are no different in nature from  
those of heat, light, radium, and  
"wireless." All are ether waves  
or vibrations, differing intrinsically  
only in frequency, and X-rays, ac-  
cording to this theory, are able to  
penetrate opaque substances be-  
cause they are so short (or of such  
high frequency) that they are not  
deflected or reflected as light-rays  
are. But we still call them X-rays  
rather than Röntgen rays. Few  
discoveries have had greater con-  
sequences. First in medicine and  
then in industry it enabled us to  
see inside things without pulling  
them to pieces. It contributed  
largely towards the formulation of  
the new theory of matter and  
atomic structure, and its combina-  
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THE HON. DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION  
Education Department,  
Hongkong, March 24, 1923.

NOTICE.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD., beg to announce that Departments for the sale of Fresh Fish, Fruits and Vegetables will be opened at the Peak Hotel Store on TUESDAY, 3rd April, from which date the following may be procured:—

Bread, Cakes, &c., Messrs. Cafe Wiseman.  
Provisions, &c., Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.  
Dairy Products, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.  
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Fresh Fish, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.  
Fruit & Vegetables, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.  
Ice, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.

Ice obtained at this Store will be charged at the rate of 11 cents per lb. other prices remain as usual.  
It is hoped that all residents of the Peak Districts will avail themselves of this Store.  
Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on THURSDAY, April 5th, 1923, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1922.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,  
D. K. BLAIR,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Society.

By Order of the Board,  
C. MONTAGUE EDE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,  
C. MONTAGUE EDE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,  
C. MONTAGUE EDE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, 7th, commencing at 3 p.m.

The Charge for admission will be \$1. for other than members of the Hongkong Jockey Club.  
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Hongkong, March 29, 1923.

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THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN DULY FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES.

The Subscription List will open on SATURDAY, the 24th day of March 1923 and close on or before SATURDAY, the 31st day of March 1923.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

Incorporated under the Companies Ordinance 1911-1921.

Capital \$2,000,000 divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each.  
Of the above shares 100,000 have already been subscribed for cash by the Directors and their friends. On these \$250 per share will be paid on application and the balance when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

In addition the Directors are allotting 30,000 shares credited as fully paid up under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon referred to in paragraph (a) hereof.

The remaining 70,000 shares ranking equally with those already subscribed are now offered for public subscription payable as to \$250 per share on application. The balance due on each share, viz., \$750 will be called up on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

Any of the shares now offered to the public which may not be subscribed for will be allotted in such manner as the Directors shall determine.

DIRECTORS.

JOHN SCOTT HARSTON,  
1, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong,  
Solicitor & Notary Public.  
Hon. Mr. CHOW SHOU SON,  
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

JAMES HARPER TAGGART,  
Managing Director,  
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.,  
Powell's Building,  
Hongkong.

The Very Rev. FATHER LEON ROBERT,  
Procureur General des Missions Etrangeres,  
1, Battery Path,  
Hongkong.

ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE,  
3, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong,  
Chartered Accountant.

FRANK MALCOLM LANE CRAWFORD,  
Managing Director,  
Lane Crawford, Ltd.,  
Chater Road,  
Hongkong.

FUNG TAT HANG,  
Comptroller,  
Hongkong Hotel,  
Hongkong.

PETER KINGSON KWOK,  
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong,  
Merchant.

BANKERS.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

AUDITORS.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Alexandra Building,  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong.

SOLICITORS.

Messrs. DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON,  
1, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong.

REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY.

Powell's Building (2nd floor),  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

SECRETARY OF THE COMPANY (pro tem).

T. A. BARRY,  
Powell's Building, (2nd floor),  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

PROSPECTUS.

- (a) This Company has been formed principally to acquire by purchase (under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon hereinafter mentioned) from Lane Crawford Limited (whose Registered Office is situated at Ice House Street, Victoria, Hongkong) and develop by building thereon the land registered in the Land Office as Section A of Marine Lot No. 7, and commonly known as "The Wiseman Site" situated in Des Voeux Road Central Hongkong. The purchase price of the land is \$1,000,000, \$300,000 of which will be satisfied by the issue to Lane Crawford Limited of 30,000 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up. Of the remainder of the purchase price, \$148,781.50 will be paid in cash, and the balance of \$551,218.50 will be satisfied by the taking over by the Company from Lane Crawford Limited of the Mortgage (repayable on the 30th April 1927) for that amount now subsisting on the property in favour of Lane Crawford Limited and carrying interest at 8% per annum.

In addition to the purchase price payable as above, the Company will under the Option hereinafter mentioned, pay the brokerage of one per cent. on the purchase price amounting to \$10,000 which is referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, and also indemnify Lane Crawford Limited to the extent of \$36,394.30 in respect of the Plans and Specifications referred to in paragraph (c) hereof.

The Option for the acquisition of such land bears date the 5th day of March 1923, and is made between Lane Crawford Limited as Vendors of the one part and Mr. W. K. L. Shenton, one of the partners in the firm of Deacon, Harston and Shenton, the above mentioned Solicitors to the Company, as Trustees for the Company of the other part. A copy of this Option and the subsequent correspondence thereon can be inspected at the offices of the said Solicitors to the Company (No. 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong) at any time during business hours. A copy of the Mortgage above referred to, which bears date the 5th day of May 1922, and is for a term of Five years from that date can also be inspected at the same place and time.

There are no other Contracts relating to the land to be acquired by the Company.

On the land to be acquired as above by the Company it is proposed to erect a modern, well-situated building with a Basement, so as to afford accommodation for Stores, shops, a Safe Deposit Vault and First-class Office Rooms, particularly suitable to professional people. The Site is considered to be specially favourable for such a building, being in the centre of the business part of the City and close to the Hotels, Banks and Shipping Office, etc.

- (b) In respect of the above mentioned Option a brokerage of 1% on the purchase price of \$1,000,000 amounting to \$10,000 is payable by the Company to the Solicitors to the Company in respect of the sale of the land the subject of such Option.

- (c) Under the last mentioned Option the Company are to be under the obligation of indemnifying Lane Crawford Limited to an extent not exceeding \$36,394.30 in respect of the cost of certain Plans and Specifications prepared in 1923 in connection with the building which Lane Crawford Limited at that time proposed to erect on the said land.

- (d) No other commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company is issuing a Prospectus dated the 23rd day of March, 1923, a copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, inviting subscriptions at par for 70,000 shares of \$10 each payable as to \$250 per share on application and as to the balance on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

The subscription list is now open and will be closed on or before the 31st day of March 1923.

Copies of the Prospectus and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and from the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and application will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and in the form issued therewith.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1923.

T. A. BARRY,  
Powell's Building,  
Hongkong,  
Secretary (pro tem.)

THE CHINA YEAR BOOK—1923.

THE NEW ISSUE of the CHINA YEAR BOOK—A massive volume of 1195 pages with a comprehensive index and a portrait of a message from President Li YUAN-HUNG will be published on or about March 31. It will be on sale in two editions, one bound in dark blue cloth at \$12.50 and the other in half-leather at \$15.00, Local Currency. Orders will be received by any local bookseller.

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DAIRY DEPARTMENT.

FRIDAY,	30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
SATURDAY,	31st	6 a.m. to 1 p.m.
		2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
MONDAY,	2nd	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

BUTCHERY DEPARTMENT.

FRIDAY,	30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		6 a.m. to 1 p.m.
SATURDAY,	31st	6 a.m. to 1 p.m.
		2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
MONDAY,	2nd	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

ICE DEPOT.

FRIDAY,	30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
SATURDAY,	31st March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
		2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
MONDAY,	2nd April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
		2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

- (c) The Company is to pay all preliminary expenses of and incident to the formation and floating of the Company down to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business and also all costs and expenses in connection with the acquisition of the land and the Assignment thereof to the Company, the estimated amount whereof is \$20,000.

- (d) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is seven shares.

- (e) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of 1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$1,000 per annum.

- (f) Directors are interested in the promotion of the Company as follows:—

- (1) As to Mr. Harston in respect of the brokerage mentioned in clause (b) above.

- (2) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe, Crawford and Harston to the extent that they are Directors of Lane Crawford Limited who are the Vendors of the land to be acquired by the Company.

- (3) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe and Harston to the extent that they are Directors in the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited.

- (4) As to the Rev. Father Robert to the extent that he is a Director of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company Limited, who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited, the Vendor aforesaid.

- (5) As to all the Directors other than The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Jung Tai Hang and Peter Kingson Kwok that they or some of them are Directors of other Companies with which the Company may do business.

- (6) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the aforementioned offices of the Solicitors to the Company at any time during business hours.

- (7) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to the Prospectus and forms part of it.

- (8) Application for shares should be made upon the Form attached to the Prospectus, which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$250 per share, the amount of the deposit.

- Where no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

- (9) Promoters can be inspected at and Forms of Application obtained from the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) and at the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

- (10) Dated the 24th day of March, 1923.

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**MEYER.**—On March 29, 1923, at  
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Mrs. C. E. Meyer, a daughter  
(Phyllis Christine).

**HAMPSON.**—On March 24, 1923,  
at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs.  
C. W. Hampson, a daughter,  
(Mary Angela).

**CLARKE.**—On March 24, 1923, to  
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Clarke, 50  
Kinnear Road, Shanghai, a son  
(Brian Harry).

## MARRIAGES.

**MANTHEI-HENDERSON.**—On  
January 17, 1923, at South  
Yarra Church, Melbourne,  
Australia, Wilfred J. L.  
Manthei, formerly of the 4th  
P.A.V. Rajputs, I.A., eldest  
son of Mr. J. L. Manthei,  
Shanghai, to Isabel Sinclair,  
eldest daughter of Mr. and  
Mrs. A. M. Henderson,  
Aberdeen, Scotland.

**BING-ROWLAND.**—On March  
24, 1923, at Shanghai, Frederick  
Ernest Hudson Bing, of Coun-  
ty of Kent, to Bertha Ida Row-  
land.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"  
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 1923.

Several weeks ago  
I reprinted from  
SHORTLY Douglas Ainslie's  
GHOST STORY, "Adven-  
tures Social and  
Literary" what was  
said to be the shortest ghost story  
in the world.

"A lady awoke from sleep feel-  
ing frightened. It was pitch dark—  
she was about to reach out for a  
match box, but before she could do  
so the box was placed in her hand!"

[Even shorter than this, I now  
find is a story which a Home week-  
ly paper reader tells from Mr. J.  
W. Marriott's "A Year's Work in  
English".]

"Two men were travelling in an  
express train. I don't believe  
in ghosts, said one. 'Don't you'  
said the other, and vanished."

He also gives other examples of  
the very short story, one of the  
best being—

"Three vigorous girls once went  
for a tramp in a wood. The tramp  
died!"

Much tosh was writ-  
ten about London's  
recent sensational  
murder trial. Many  
people believed that  
the court was definitely wrong in  
convicting the prisoners, Bywaters  
and Mrs. Thompson. Many more  
felt that the murder was a crime  
passion which should be treated  
as different from an ordinary  
murder. Both sections petitioned  
for reprieve. These petitions were  
organised by "stunt" papers, and  
as I have said, much tosh got into  
print. Great capital was made  
out of the fact that Mrs.  
Thompson was the first woman  
for fourteen years, to be sentenced  
to death. However, it now seems  
that her execution, which speedily  
ended popular interest, strongly  
moved some of our thinkers, for we  
now find this in the *London Mercury*  
from Thomas Hardy's pen:

Fair and capable one of our race,  
Posing there in your gown of grace,  
Plain yet becoming,  
Could subtest breast  
Ever have guessed  
What was behind that innocent  
face,  
Drumming, drumming!

Would that you Causar, ere knoll  
your knell  
For this riot of passion, might  
deign to tell  
Why since it made you  
Good in the germ,  
It sent a worm  
To madden its handiwork, when it  
might well  
Not have assayed you  
Not have implanted, to your deep  
ruin,  
The Clytemnestra spirit in you,  
And with purblind vision  
Sowed a tare  
In a garden fair,  
And a thing of symmetry to the  
view  
Brought to derision!

A lawyer thus illus-  
trates the language of  
LEGAL craft: "If a man  
WAY were to give another  
ROUND, an orange, he would  
simply say: 'Have an  
orange.' But when the transaction  
is intruded to a lawyer to be put in  
writing, he adopts this form: 'I  
hereby give and convey to you, all  
and singular my estate and inter-  
ests, right, title, claim, and advan-

ages of and in said orange, together  
with all its right, title, claim, and  
advantages, to have, to hold, to  
enjoy, with full power to bite, cut, suck,  
and otherwise to eat the same or  
give the same away, with or with-  
out the rind, skin, juice, pulp or  
pips, anything herebefore or  
hereinafter, in any other means of  
whatever nature or kind, what-  
soever to the contrary in anywise  
notwithstanding."

Our world tourists  
have provided many  
a laugh. Such, of  
course, was inevit-  
able. This past week  
I heard two good  
stories, one where the laugh  
is against the travellers and the other  
where the Hongkong resident came  
off second best (though some may  
think otherwise).

The good lady from Kansas City  
was explaining, in self-satisfied  
accents, how she had taught a  
Chinese boy a severe lesson. The  
budding Chinese financier had  
brought her a few dollars change,  
mostly in ten-cent pieces, and she  
had tipped him the liberal sum of  
fifty cents. Like chair coolies when  
over paid, the boy, trying to trade  
on the ignorance of the bird of  
passage, asked for one dollar.

"And just to teach that boy a  
lesson," exclaimed the lady, "I  
took twenty cents out of his hand  
and left him only thirty cents."

One of the large touring parties  
was sub-divided into smaller  
groups, each of which was provided  
with a European guide. One  
of these guides took his lot up the  
Peak to view the "landscape".  
About noon, when he had brought  
them to see the shops in Queen's  
Road, he was surprised to find one  
of his brother guides all on his  
lonesome, face flushed and gait  
unsteady. The lonely sight  
approached the more conspicuous  
cicerone and said huskily: "I shay,  
X, I've lost my d— party."

Great argument  
CREDIBILITY has our local  
*Morning Post* seen  
this week, about it, and about  
Spiritualism, of course. Now, I  
have never met anyone who has  
seen a spook but I have met  
scores—some whose integrity was  
above question—who have seen,  
with their own eyes, trainloads of  
Russian troops journeying south  
from Scottish ports before the  
peace broke out. Some, before  
the war's greatest myth was ex-  
ploded, even averred that they had  
spoken with these (then) gallant  
Russians, had heard their "guttural  
voices" and had seen their "beard-  
ed faces." However, you must un-  
derstand that I am not being in-  
veigled into a credibility contro-  
versy—least of all about spooks.  
(Though, quite incidentally, I share  
the opinion of that eminent  
scientist, Sir Ray Lankester, that  
emotional conditions—fear,  
hope, love, hate, wonder—have  
direct physiological activity upon  
the brain, arresting the full and  
impartial exercise of the powers of  
attention, observation, judgment,  
and reason, and lead to the registra-  
tion of beliefs dictated by the  
emotion without the intervention of  
higher intellectual powers.)

When you've got your breath back  
after that little aside, I'll continue.  
Since this question of credibility  
has been raised locally, I merely  
wish to quote from Clifford's val-  
uable essay, "The Ethics of Bel-  
ief," several extracts I happened  
upon the other day, always worth  
remembering and especially appro-  
priate for spook discussions. Here  
they are:

"It is wrong always everywhere  
and for anyone to believe anything  
upon insufficient evidence. It is  
never lawful to stifle a doubt, for  
either it can be honestly an-  
swered by means of the inquiry  
already made or else it proves that  
the inquiry was not complete."

Further: "The goodness and  
greatness of a man (as Conan Doyle  
or an Oliver Lodge, say) do not  
justify us in accepting a belief  
upon the warrant of his  
authority unless there are  
reasonable grounds for supposing  
that he knew the truth of what he  
was saying. And there can be no  
grounds for supposing that a man  
knows that which we, without  
ceasing to be men, could not be  
supposed to verify."

We may believe what goes beyond our  
experience only when it is inferred  
from that which we know. We  
may believe the statement of an-  
other person when there is  
reasonable ground for supposing  
that he knows the matter of which  
he speaks, and that he is speaking  
the truth so far as he knows it. It  
is wrong in all cases to believe on  
insufficient evidence, and where it  
is presumption to doubt and to in-  
vestigate, there it is worse than  
presumption to believe."

Really, Kowloon  
SCOOTERS, parents who allow  
their children to  
roam Nathan Road armed with  
scooters are asking for trouble.  
Only yesterday a motor bus  
Very, narrow shave  
tiredly the child's fault.

The latest story  
LIBELLOUS, they are telling  
about the Scot ap-  
pears in the *London Morning*  
*Post*.

"Why have Scotsmen a sense of  
humour?"

"Because it is a gift."

This removes one libel  
and repeats another. Scotsmen possess  
very keen humour, and they are a

race almost extravagantly gener-  
ous. However, since they take  
these jokes in such good part—  
I'll make so bold as to  
tell one now going round the  
Colony. The Scot and the Jew  
were both broke. (That the latter  
should find himself in this  
plight, you will say, *prima facie*  
stamps the story untrue, as indeed  
it is.) With not one cent between  
them, they conspired to slake their  
parched throats. They chose a bar  
where trade was very brisk.  
Moses entered and called for a  
drink. When the barmaid, after  
serving several other customers,  
demanded payment, he protested  
that he had already paid. Half  
convinced from his plausible  
maim, she allowed him to depart.  
Moses related his adventure to the  
Scot who then entered and like-  
wise had his drink. When the  
barmaid came for payment, before  
she could open her mouth the  
canary one demanded: "Hey,  
miss! Whaur's my change?"

The Yokohama Amateur  
A. D. C. Dramatic Club, we are  
told, plans to produce  
two more pieces before the close  
of the season, these being "Clothes  
and the Woman," which is due  
early in May, and about one month  
later "The Young Person in Pink."  
And Hongkong—when does our  
A. D. C. move its next wonder to  
perform?

Regarding the  
line of Triumph  
AND Weeps Above  
THE BRAVE, which  
Dover *China Mail*  
Weekly reader suggested for our  
war memorial, I now learn from a  
copy of the *Army, Navy, and Air*  
*Force Gazette*, that the passage was  
from Byron's "Elegiac Stanzas on  
the Death of Sir Peter Parker,  
Baronet, R.N.," the first stanza of  
which is:—

There is a tear for all that die,  
A mourner o'er the humblest  
grave;  
But nations swell the funeral  
pyre,  
And triumph weeps above the  
brave.

The correspondent who gives  
this information adds that Byron  
was a first cousin of Sir Peter,  
whose sister, Margaret, was the  
poet's boyish love and inspired his  
first dash into poetry. Further-  
more, Parker had a Parliamentary  
career in addition to his naval one,  
as he represented Wexford at  
Westminster for a time. In Aug-  
ust, 1814, in his 29th year, he fell  
whilst leading a party from his ship,  
the "Ménelaus," at the storming  
of the American camp near Baltimore.  
The first Baronet was his grand-  
father, Sir Peter Parker, Admiral  
of the Fleet, who was not only the  
early patron of Nelson, but also,  
as senior officer in the Navy, chief  
mourner at the funeral of the victor  
of Trafalgar.

Having last Sunday  
FELLOW denounced the up-  
regulated traffic in  
housing property as  
one of the root causes of Hong-  
kong's housing problem, the Rev.  
Kirk Macdonald will feel gratified  
to learn that Home Churches, the  
also gravely concerned about the  
housing problem there, the Bishop  
of Southwark, in mail week,  
proclaiming it a duty of the Church  
to take a part in dealing  
with the difficulty. There were, he  
said, over 200,000 houses in Eng-  
land and Wales which ought to  
be condemned, instantly, as in-  
sanitary, unhealthy, and unsafe to  
live in. Home housing conditions  
were a scandal to civilisation, and  
their toleration was a disgrace to  
Christianity. Hongkong's housing  
problem is bad but it is not as bad  
as that. Happily.

Newspapers, jour-  
nalists, shipping  
THOUSAND companies, and  
AHEAD, agents, fashion de-  
signers, museums,  
and professors are but a few of  
those who have made profit out of  
Tutankhamen, dead these three  
thousand years and more. But  
"Tooting Common" (as the  
Cockney humorists have agreed to  
call him) will yet have his revenge,  
apart from the discord attempts to  
pronounce his name as every where  
creating, for one writer in a Home  
paper now points out that three  
thousand years hence Egypt may  
rule the world, and Britain may  
have elapsed into a desert of forest  
and swamp, inhabited by a few  
stunted savages. "Egyptian anti-  
quaries will then come," he says,  
and "excavate the ruins of the  
dynasty of Cleopatra." They will  
discover the sarcophagi of "two  
Sub-Kings or Viceroys of the  
Georgian, or last period of British  
supremacy, Lloyd George, and  
Esquid, who, in later times, seem  
to have usurped most of the power  
of the State. Yet, in spite of their  
hunger for power, these Sub-Kings  
must have been very worthy men,  
for their inscriptions continually  
refer to their sense of duty (which  
may be translated FOH) and their  
purity of conduct (BAH). The  
excavators from Egypt then, record  
the finding of the tomb of Lord  
Carnarvon, and, interestingly, announce  
that "in a few hours we may hope  
to gaze upon the desecrator of the  
tomb of the Pharaoh, and of the  
man who stole the obelisk from  
Alexandria, to set it up on the  
banks of the Thames."

For many years  
TENNIS. Hongkong had only  
one event open to all  
tennis enthusiasts in the Colony.  
That was the men's open  
championship played on the  
cricket ground simultaneously  
with the H.K.C.C. tournament.  
Then some broad-minded sports-  
man had a brain-wave and the  
H.K.C.C., ever interested in the  
development of sport, adopted his  
suggestion, with the result that we  
now have a doubles championship.  
It was one of the happiest things the  
Cricket Club ever did, for not only  
did it help to develop the bud-  
ding talent of the various clubs and  
the various nationalities, but it has  
provided splendid entertainment  
to hundreds of jaded citizens who  
look forward to witnessing these  
contests. It is evidently a welcome  
break, too, in the ennui of some of  
the fair sex. In short it is wholly  
good. Might the *China Mail*  
make bold to suggest something  
further? Could other two open  
items be added, a mixed  
doubles championship and a  
ladies singles championship?  
There are a lot of good arguments  
in favour of this and no really  
serious objections. Perhaps some  
*China Mail* readers may have  
views on the subject?

Home papers  
YO-HO-HO record that  
Newcastle ex-  
soldiers who are  
members of the  
SODA-WATER City branch  
will in future have to follow in the  
wake of that eminent temperance  
reformer, "Mr. Pussyfoot," or  
sneak round the corner to "have  
one," as their club has gone "dry."  
This, it is explained, is not because  
the brewers are unable to supply  
the necessary stimulant, but be-  
cause the members are of the  
opinion that it was in the interests  
of the club to run it, not as a beer  
saloon but as a restful place for  
recreation and comfort. The club,  
it was stated, was intended for  
men down and out, and a club run  
on the profits of drink descended  
to the morale of the lowest drinker.  
Only six voted against a "dry"  
club. What Easma members will  
say about this, you must guess  
yourself, since their club is not  
primarily for men "down and out."

But one fact stands clear. If a club  
run on the profits of drink  
descends to the morale of the  
lowest drinker, little hope exists  
for a Government which derives  
considerable revenue from liquor  
taxation. Likewise, how about churches  
which accept bequests from  
wealthy brewers? Again, What?  
But like the young man in Shaw's  
"Widowers' Houses," I'm getting  
into deep water. And, anyway,  
what is a club out here unless it  
offers some little—some little—  
something? Yes that's the word.  
Indeed what would many things be-  
come without this same magic bowl  
which  
"can with logic absolute  
The two-and-seventy jarring  
sects confute"  
and vastly brighten one's  
journey through this vale of  
tears. What, for instance, naming  
but one drab pursuit, what would  
the old bottle trade become? You  
think that query frivolous, fatuous  
even? Have you never heard  
about Mrs. Dugan, how she dis-  
covered a method of making six  
dozen lamp chimneys out of twelve  
old bottles? Years ago, in *Good*  
*Housekeeping*, Ellis Parker Butler  
told the story. The twelve "old"  
bottles were found in the cellar,  
and they happened to be full of  
champagne. The preliminary steps  
were thus explained by Mrs.  
Dugan: "Of hid th' cork 't  
was soide an' emptied th' contents av  
th' bottle down th' drain, excit-  
ing small tumblerful, which Oi  
drank."

She repeated the process with  
the next five bottles, and then:  
"Oi tanked a bump from nother  
dottle an'—Oi mean Oi dranked it  
tump from nother, cople—yousee  
seem friend, Oi mean Oi dranked  
a kump—Oi mean Oi cackled a  
—Oi mean Oi conked—Oi—Oi—  
well anyhow, Oi did it all thim  
twelve bottles. Thim bottles was  
now, all impty, an' Oi stieded th'  
house wid wan hand and counted  
th' bottles wid th' other. There was  
twenty-seven left out a th' dozen!  
Thim Oi got me scrubbin' brush  
and a pail av wather 't clane th'  
bottles, but t me surprise Oi found  
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# TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

STILL BEYOND THE PALE.

RUSSIA DENIED RECOGNITION.

BRITAIN'S "ESSENTIAL CONDITIONS."

LONDON, March 29.

In the House Commons, before adjourning for Easter, Labour members pressed the Government to change its policy toward Russia.

Mr. McNeill stated that the policy would not be seriously influenced by the reported currents in favour of a Franco-Russian rapprochement. He pointed out that Britain had demanded the establishment of a definitely civilised legal system to which traders could look for the enforcement of contracts and the recognition of debts. Britain had also demanded the cessation of propaganda and the restitution of property.

Mr. McNeill declared that the present Government was in nowise pledged to give recognition even if the foregoing conditions were fulfilled but they were essential before recognition could be considered. Moreover the Government was not inclined to stretch a point and take the hand of fellowship of a Russian Government responsible for the recent barbarities with which the civilised world had been disgusted and dismayed.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

LANSING AGREEMENT CANCELLED.

WASHINGTON, March 30.

The Lansing-Ishii agreement whereby the United States recognised Japan's special interests in China has been cancelled by mutual agreement between Washington and Tokyo.

ZAGHLUL PASHA.

RELEASED FROM GIBRALTAR.

The British Government have given instructions for the release of Zaghlul Pasha from Gibraltar for reasons of health. It is understood that he proceeds to France for the purpose of taking a course of waters.

NEAR EAST PARLEY.

ITALIAN, March 29.

The Italian and Japanese representatives in the Near East conversations at London have left for Paris.

"GLENBEG" RELOADING.

COPENHAGEN, March 29.

The steamer "Glenbeg" has arrived at Korsør. She proceeds to Copenhagen where the 450 tons of cargo which was discharged will be reshipped.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS.

The game between M. W. Lo and H. D. Runjahn in the Hongkong Cricket Club tennis tournament had to be abandoned on Thursday, after Runjahn had taken the first two sets and Lo the third, owing to the falling light.

The results of the other games played were:—

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

Thomas Lay beat F. Wheeler, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4; V. Yvanovitch beat Yaw Man Tsun, 6-3, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."

W. U. Nicholson (+1/5) beat K. W. Lane (-3/0), 6-2, 6-4.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

A. D. Humphreys and G. R. Sayer (-4/5) beat B. Crowley and G. Ellams (+4/5), 6-2, 6-3; F. A. Dinahale and E. C. Hagen (-4/10) beat D. G. G. Neish and G. P. Menzies (+2/5), 6-4, 6-4; F. A. Redmond and M. H. Roffey (-2/5) beat R. E. Worthington and H. E. Grace (-15/4), 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

MINED DOUBLES.

G. W. Sewell and Miss Irving (+1/5) beat J. A. Fraser and Dr. Gladys Turner (+1/5), 6-1, 6-2; C. Thorne and Mrs. Thorne (+5/5) beat R. E. Worthington and Miss Grace (-3/0), 6-3, 6-2.

## TROOPS AND THE PEAK TRAMWAY.

A NEW COMMAND ORDER.

In the Command Orders issued on Thursday by Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., appears the following:

The following will be added to Command Standing Orders:—

208 A.—Commanding Officers will arrange that when parties of men are to travel on duty by the Peak Tramway, that except under exceptional circumstances of great urgency, the crowded hours in the Tram are to be avoided.

The crowded hours are—Down Trams—8.30 a.m., to 9.30 a.m., and 1.45 p.m., to 2.15 p.m.

Up Trams—12.40 p.m., to 1.20 p.m., and 7 p.m., to 8 p.m.

The Troops, as a concession, from the Peak Tramway Company, enjoy the privilege of using the Tram at a reduced rate. If this concession is to be continued, it is obvious that troops going to and from football matches or other recreation, must not crowd out other residents of the Peak, who must of necessity go up and down to meet their business engagements, and who should be given the preference for seats.

## SANITARY BOARD.

ELECTION OF A MEMBER.

It is notified in the Government Gazette that, by command of His Excellency the Governor, and pursuant to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, an election of a member to the Sanitary Board will take place at the City Hall on Thursday, April 12, commencing at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The following persons will be entitled to vote at the election:—Such persons as are included in either of the Jurors Lists referred to in section 7 (3) of the Jury Ordinance, 1887, and also the following persons exempted from serving as jurors, that is to say:—unofficial members of the Executive or of the Legislative Council; barristers and solicitors on the roll of the Supreme Court; medical practitioners; dentists in actual practice in the Colony; persons registered under the Pharmacy Ordinances, 1916-1917; clergymen of the Church of England, Roman Catholic priests, ministers of any congregation of Protestant dissenters or of Jews functioning in the Colony; the masters of any school, other than a vernacular school, in the Colony, the professors, lecturers and other academic officers of the University of Hongkong; the editors, sub-editors and reporters of daily newspaper published in the Colony; pilots licensed under the Pilots Ordinance, 1904; and persons of sound mind who have previously been included in either of the said Jurors Lists but have been removed therefrom on account of age or infirmity.

In the event of the election being contested, voting will commence immediately after the nominations have been read and continue until 6 p.m., when the ballot-box will be closed.

A fine of \$5 or ten days' imprisonment was imposed on a Chinese who was brought before Mr. J. R. Lindsell at the Magistracy this morning on a charge of begging. Sergeant Alison intimated that defendant was one of those who were maintained by Sir Paul Chater's free list fund from which he received \$7 a month and was also given a free allowance to hawk if he so wished. He did not however, take out a licence and was found begging in the European quarters of the town.

## COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

Cargo arrived by the s.s. "Munich" (Galle) remaining undelivered after April 1 will be subject to rent. Agents: Messrs. Dredge & Co., Ltd.

## SKIPPER'S MISTAKE.

"A SERIOUS OFFENCE."

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS BROKEN.

"It is a most serious offence to commit," said Commander Beckwith at the Marine Court on Thursday afternoon when trying Capt. R. Jensen of the Norwegian steamer s.s. "Kronviken" on a charge of failing to fly the quarantine flag on entering the port on March 27. The proceedings were taken at the instigation of the Port Medical Officer, (Dr. B. H. Mellon.)

Defendant pleaded guilty. Dr. Mellon said that he was on duty in the Harbour on Tuesday, March 27, and at about 4.30 on the same day he saw the steamer "Kronviken" steam into port but she was not flying the quarantine flag although Saigon, the port she had come from had been quarantined since March 14. When witness went aboard the steamer next morning he told defendant of the offence and the Captain replied that he did not know it was necessary to hoist the quarantine flag. Witness found no cases of infectious disease on board nor any suspected cases.

Asked if he had anything to say Captain Jensen replied that he had no idea that Saigon was an infected port.

Commander Beckwith: You are the master of a steamer and are supposed to be an intelligent person and it is your duty to find out. Didn't you ask any questions of the Norwegian Consul at Saigon?

Witness replied that he got his clearance papers and that was all.

Commander Beckwith: "Don't you think it is up to you to find out," adding that breaking the quarantine regulations was a most serious offence to commit and that offenders were liable to a fine not exceeding \$2,000.

In reply to a question Dr. Mellon said that there had been previous cases where quarantine regulations had been broken but they were very few.

Commander Beckwith (to defendant): When you arrived in Hongkong on the 27th it was your duty to hoist the quarantine flag when coming into the harbour. The Health Officer would then have visited your ship to see that it was free from any infectious disease. As it was you came into this port without the slightest regard for quarantine regulations.

Defendant: It was a mistake. Commander Beckwith: Well, these mistakes are always mistakes until they are found out. Quarantine regulations are the most important regulations you have to contend with.

Defendant: I have not been here long.

Commander Beckwith: It does not matter. It is the same all over the world. In this case I take it as carelessness and I warn you in future to make it your duty to find out whether the port you are leaving is quarantined by the port for which you are proceeding.

Defendant was then ordered to pay a fine of \$25.

## SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING.

ITALIAN CONVENT SUCCESSSES.

The results of examinations in Typewriting and Pitman's Shorthand held in December at the Italian Convent, Caine Road, have arrived from Bath and are as follows:—

Amateur Certificate, 100 words a minute speed, Miss Dolly Hanson.

Amateur Certificate, 80 words a minute speed, Misses Ada Pepperell, Jacintha Domingo and Daisy Dunnett.

Speed, 80 words a minute, Miss Beatrice Santos.

Theory Certificate, Misses Gertrude Julian (1st best) Rosa Rosario (2nd best), Beatrice Gill (3rd best) Daisy Dunnett, Conchita del Pan, Etie Rosario, Iris Warren, Dorothea Wiltshire, Amy Stonham and Queanle Julian.

Full Certificate, Misses Frances Dunn, Dorothea Murray, Katherine Hunt and Dolores Talmage.

## OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

NEW UNOFFICIAL MEMBER.

The Government Gazette notifies that during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Mr. Robert Horne Kotewall is to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council.

Mr. John Harry Barclay Nihili has been appointed to be an assistant to the S.C.A. and a Deputy Registrar of marriages.

## RESCUE WORK.

The Hongkong Scouts will give you instruction in saving the drowning at the JAMBOREE on April 13th and 14th at the CITY HALL.

## HARBOUR BLAZE.

FIRE ON "KWAISANG."

SOME CARGO DAMAGED.

A fire broke out at about two o'clock this morning aboard the the Jardine steamer "Kwaisang" (Captain D. Skinner) which was lying at No. 27 buoy and was to have proceeded to the Straits Settlements to-day with a general cargo. The fire originated in the comrade's quarters and smoke and flames were seen coming from one of the holds. The vessel immediately put up the fire signal and sent out a wireless "S. O. S." which was answered by H.M.S. Carlisle.

No. 1 and No. 2 firefloats proceeded to the ship and by 4.30 a.m. the fire had been extinguished. The comrade's store room and quarters were burned and it is believed that some of the merchandise comprising the cargo was damaged by the water. The "Kwaisang's" departure has in consequence been postponed to Monday.

## SCHOOL SPORTS.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

The annual sports of St. Stephen's College took place at Happy Valley on Thursday afternoon and the meeting was honoured by the presence of Lady Stubbs, and His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria.

At the close of the sports Mr. F. A. Britton, the acting warden of the school, thanked Lady Stubbs for presenting the prizes, and as a souvenir of the occasion gave her a beautiful porcelain bowl.

THE WINNERS.

The following were the results of the chief events:

Junior 120 yards (champ.): 1, Hui Han-yeh; 2, Chan Wei-yuen; 3, Lau Chun-on. Time, 13 1/5 sec. Senior 120 yards (champ.): 1, Peter Yeung; 2, Mak Kwok-fat; 3, Leung Sai-wah. Time, 13 1/5 sec. Open 100 yards; 1, Peter Yeung; 2, Ip Pun-chun; 3, Li Lai. Time, 11 2/5 sec.

Junior High Jump (champ.): 1, Chan Wai-yue; 2, Lim Seaw-chong; 3, Hung Fai-cheung. Height 4 ft. 7 1/2 ins.

Senior High Jump (champ.): 1, Leung Sai-wah; 2, Ngai Yuk-cheung; 3, Mak Kwok-fat. Height, 5 ft. 1 1/2 ins.

Junior 220 yards (champ.): 1, Hui Han-yeh; 2, Chan Wei-yue; 3, Lau Chun-on. Time, 25 1/2 sec.

Senior 220 yards (champ.): 1, Peter Yeung; 2, Mak Kwok-fat; 3, Leung Sai-wah. Time, 24 3/5 sec.

Junior Long Jump (champ.): 1, Chan Wai-yue; 2, Lim Seaw-chong; 3, Hung Fai-cheung. Distance, 16 ft. 9 ins.

Senior Long Jump (champ.): 1, Lay; 2, Mak Kwok-fat; 3, Liang Sai-wah. Distance 18 feet.

Junior 440 yards (champ.): 1, Hui Han-yeh; 2, Chan Wei-yuen; 3, Lim Seaw-chong. Time, 57 3/5 sec.

Senior 440 yards (champ.): 1, Peter Yeung; 2, Mak Kwok-fat; 3, Lee Tek-tin. Time, 60 1/5 sec.

Old Boys' Race 220 yards, 1, To Kan-han; 2, Tse Chi-on; 3, Wong Boon-hai.

Open Half Mile. 1, Liang Sai-wah; 2, Ng Pak-hin; 3, Wong Chi-kin. Time, 2 mins 24 sec.

Open Mile Handicap Race: 1, The Yeaw-koo; 2, Chan Hung-nin; 3, On Soe-ong.

Senior Hurdle Race (champ): 1, Mak Kwok-fat; 2, Lim Chun-leung; 3, Lee Pak-tin.

Form Flag Race: 1, Form V.

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## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and after WEDNESDAY, the 4th April, the supply of water to all districts in Kowloon will be turned on in the Public Mains during the following hours only:—

6 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 a.m.

The co-operation of the Public in reducing the consumption to a minimum is requested.

T. L. PERKINS, Water Authority.

Public Works Department, Hongkong, March 29, 1923.

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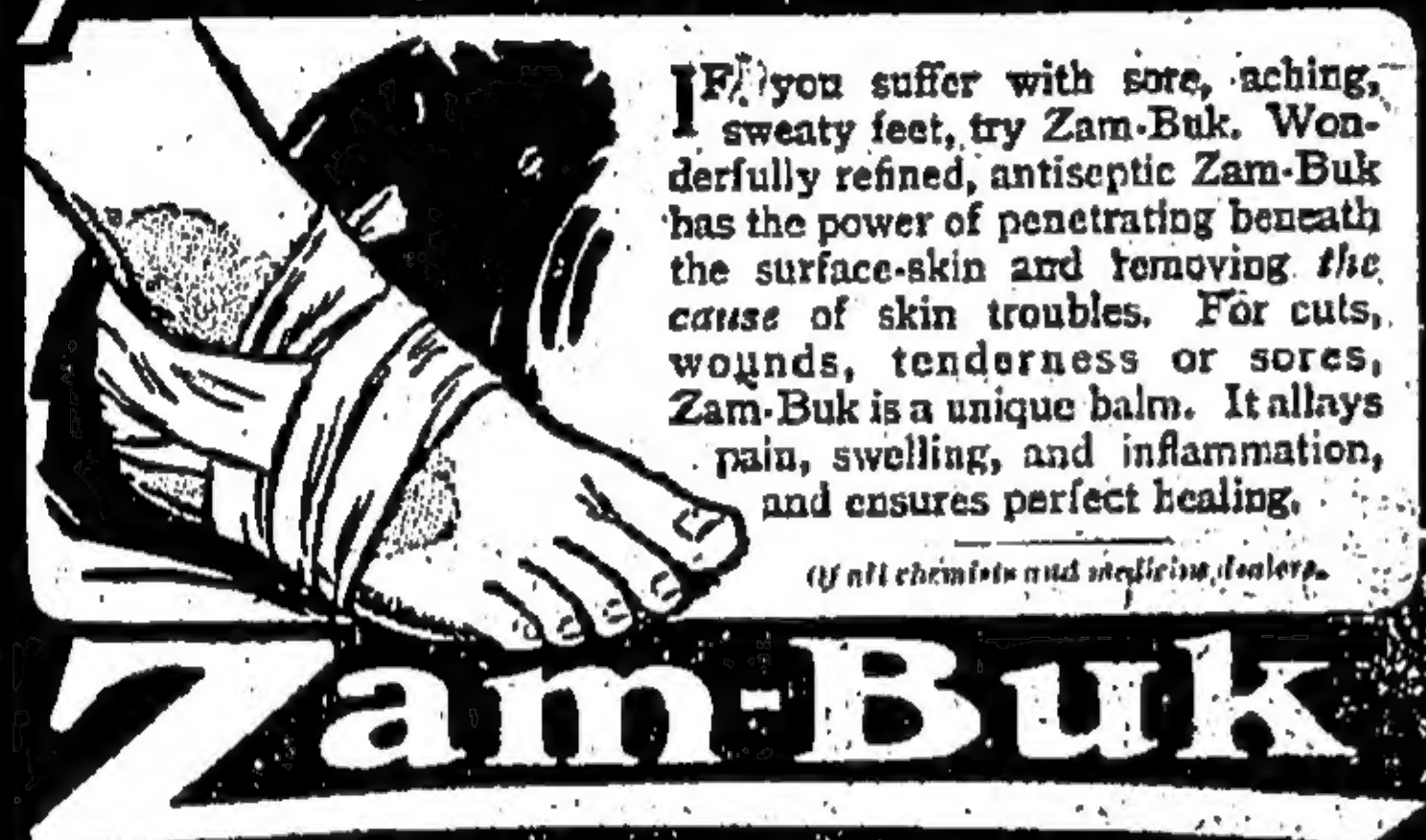
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## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ANNUAL MEETING HELD.

WORK OF THE YEAR.

Chairman's Comprehensive Review.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was held in the City Hall on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. A. O. Lang presided, supported by Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Barr, and Messrs. G. T. Edkins, A. S. D. Cowland, N. L. Watson and T. G. Weall.

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### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman said:—  
Gentlemen.—The report and accounts having been in your hands for some days, I shall, with your permission, follow the usual procedure and take them as read. You will notice that the correspondence dealt with still continues to grow in volume and although by reason of their confidential nature many questions which have arisen do not appear in the report, I can assure you that the year under review has been an exceptionally busy one for your Committee. As reference was made in my speech at a general meeting held in this room last July to the work of the Chamber during the earlier months of 1922, I shall now allude as briefly as possible to such matters of importance as have come before your Committee since that time.

**FANCY PRIZE GOODS CONTRACT.**  
It is satisfactory to report that the discussions with the Rice Goods Guild and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce regarding the Chamber's Standard Form of Fancy Prize Goods Contract resulted in a settlement being reached and I trust business will continue without interruption on the terms of the new agreement.

### THE RICE TRADE.

The year under review has been an unfortunate one for the rice exporters of the Colony, and it would appear that for the time being at any rate Saigon is doing the bulk of the rice trade with the United States and Cuba, mainly as the result of direct freight being available. Local merchants, however, are not without hope that it may be possible in the near future to recover a large proportion of the business, and indeed during the past month fairly satisfactory shipments have gone forward from Hongkong to South America, which is evidence that no stone is being left unturned by those interested to regain their position in these markets.

### THE SWATOW TYPHOON DISASTER RELIEF FUND.

As you are aware the appeal launched by this Committee in respect of the typhoon which wrought such terrible havoc in Swatow and district in August last resulted in a remittance of something in excess of \$83,000—being forwarded to the British Chamber at that port, and I take this opportunity of thanking subscribers for their very generous support.

In order to administer this Fund a Relief Committee was formed at Swatow, and quite recently an interesting report of the work performed amongst the sufferers reached us and was reproduced in the local press.

### TYPHOON WARNINGS.

Arising out of an investigation into the loss of the "Choyang," Mr. Robert Sutherland made a valuable report to the Chamber on the subject of typhoon warnings. The Committee, after full consideration of this report requested the Government to institute a full enquiry into the present system of compiling weather reports. Opportunity was taken at the same time to press once more for the establishment of a wireless and observing station on the Pratas Shoal, which, by reason of its position, would give Hongkong early information of inevitable value regarding the approach of a typhoon. The Pratas Shoal, as you are aware, belongs to China and it is hoped that arrangements can be made whereby the Chinese Maritime Customs will provide an observing station there, as part of their light-house system.

The investigations into the question of typhoon warnings, which are still proceeding, lead inevitably to the conclusion—I quote from our report—"that such modern inventions as wireless have not been made available to meteorological stations to anything like the extent that they should be." Your Committee has urged upon the Hongkong Government the desirability of going into the question most thoroughly and has suggested that information be collated from all Observatories situated within the typhoon area and co-operation with the powers concerned, so that all the resources of modern science and every means humanly possible be adopted to improve the system of locating the track of typhoons.

The object aimed at is the extended use of wireless for transmitting as well as receiving messages, so that those engaged in the difficult task of forecasting the course of storms may be put in possession of all available data at the earliest possible moment. At present, as Father Froc has stated in a report on the Swatow typhoon, it is invariably a month before observations taken at some of the out-stations reach Zikawei, and I have no doubt that Hongkong Observatory is similarly handicapped. It is of course essential these observations, to be of any practical use, should be available at the earliest possible moment.

Whilst on this subject I should like to urge on shipping companies the importance of giving instructions to Masters of vessels fitted with wireless that weather reports be sent regularly to Hongkong and other Observatories. It is a regrettable fact that, at present, comparatively few observations are received from ships. Very often the track of a typhoon may be lost for an important period because there are no Observatories in the area through which it is passing. In such cases ships in the vicinity would render invaluable service by sending in observations which may prove of incalculable value at a particular time. One hopes that every ship fitted with wireless will constitute itself a travelling observing station, following the guidance of Observatory officials, for the purpose of locating typhoons.

**WIRELESS.**  
I believe it will not be long before the installation of wireless on steamers trading locally will be made compulsory in some degree by Hongkong Ordinances. When that time comes, it should not be necessary, in the opinion of the shipping

community, to employ European operators on every small steamer, in view of the infrequent need for their services. Long periods of inaction are harmful to the individual, and the maintenance of men in comparative idleness is an unnecessary burden upon shipping. Nor should it be necessary to employ more than one Chinese operator on all such vessels.

The introduction of legislation in this connection has, I understand, had the attention of the Government for some time past, and I believe the Board of Trade at Home are pressing for wireless to be installed on vessels trading locally which are registered in the United Kingdom; it seems very desirable, therefore, that the Hongkong Government should press forward the legislation they have under consideration which it seems only reasonable should be uniform for vessels engaged in the same trade in Far Eastern waters. As it is apparently a foregone conclusion that wireless will be compulsorily installed on a large number of our local steamers, I strongly advocate that the Hongkong Government should at once institute a training establishment for Chinese operators in Wireless Telegraphy.

### "SUI AN" PIRACY.

Before leaving shipping matters, I must refer to the piracy in neighbouring waters, last November, of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's steamer "Sui An." It is a matter of keen regret that the authority of law and order in China has not proved strong enough to bring to justice the miscreants who carried out this villainous and murderous enterprise. The place where the pirates went ashore is well known and it is credibly reported that loot was freely offered for sale, for many days afterwards, in the villages in that vicinity, yet no arrests have been made. The Chamber has urged that strong deterrents of a retributive character would be far more effective than endeavors to make vessels "pirate proof," but I am afraid there is little hope of deterrents being applied if it is left to the Chinese to enforce them. In view of the frequent acts of piracy perpetrated in these waters—another one was reported a few days ago—we have also urged the extension of naval patrols as a necessary measure for the protection of shipping. I should like to add, with regard to the Piracy Commission, which recently held an enquiry in Hongkong into the "Sui An" affair, that if the Government contemplates introducing new regulations for the prevention of piracy, as the result of the recommendations of the Commission, it is desirable such regulations should be brought into force as soon as possible, otherwise expense may have to be incurred twice over, first, in carrying out any modification of the present Regulations which may be required by the Government Surveyors, and secondly, in complying with entirely new Regulations.

### ALLEGED FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS OF CHINESE BUSINESSES.

I am glad to be able to state that progress has been made in the important matter I mentioned last July—the proposal that the Government should be persuaded to legislate against a fraudulent business practice which has of late grown to alarming proportions. Certain Chinese traders have resorted to the plan of assigning their business assets, but not their liabilities, to another person, or to themselves trading under another name. In the Chamber's representations to the Government, you will remember, we have had the co-operation of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce—whose members have suffered from this form of fraud as much as, or even more than, our own.

The present position is that a draft Bill has been drawn up by the Attorney-General, approved by the Legal Sub-Committee of this Chamber, and it is hoped that it will soon take its place among the Ordinances of the Colony. The lines upon which the draft Ordinance is drawn are that on an assignment of a business other than a profession three months' notice of the transfer is to be advertised in the Government Gazette and until such three months have expired the transferee is equally liable with the transferor for the debts of the business prior to transfer. It is also provided that the Supreme Court can set aside any such transfer if the authorities are of opinion that the transfer was made with intent to hinder, defeat or delay the creditors of the transferor, and the burden of establishing that the transfer is bona fide is thrown upon the transferee.

### PEAK HOSPITAL.

One problem that was before us at our last meeting is removed by the generous action of Mr. J. E. Joseph in purchasing the site and premises of the Peak Hospital and placing them at the disposal of the community for three years, at a nominal rent. I should like to take this opportunity of echoing the thanks already expressed to Mr. Joseph in the Legislative Council Chamber.

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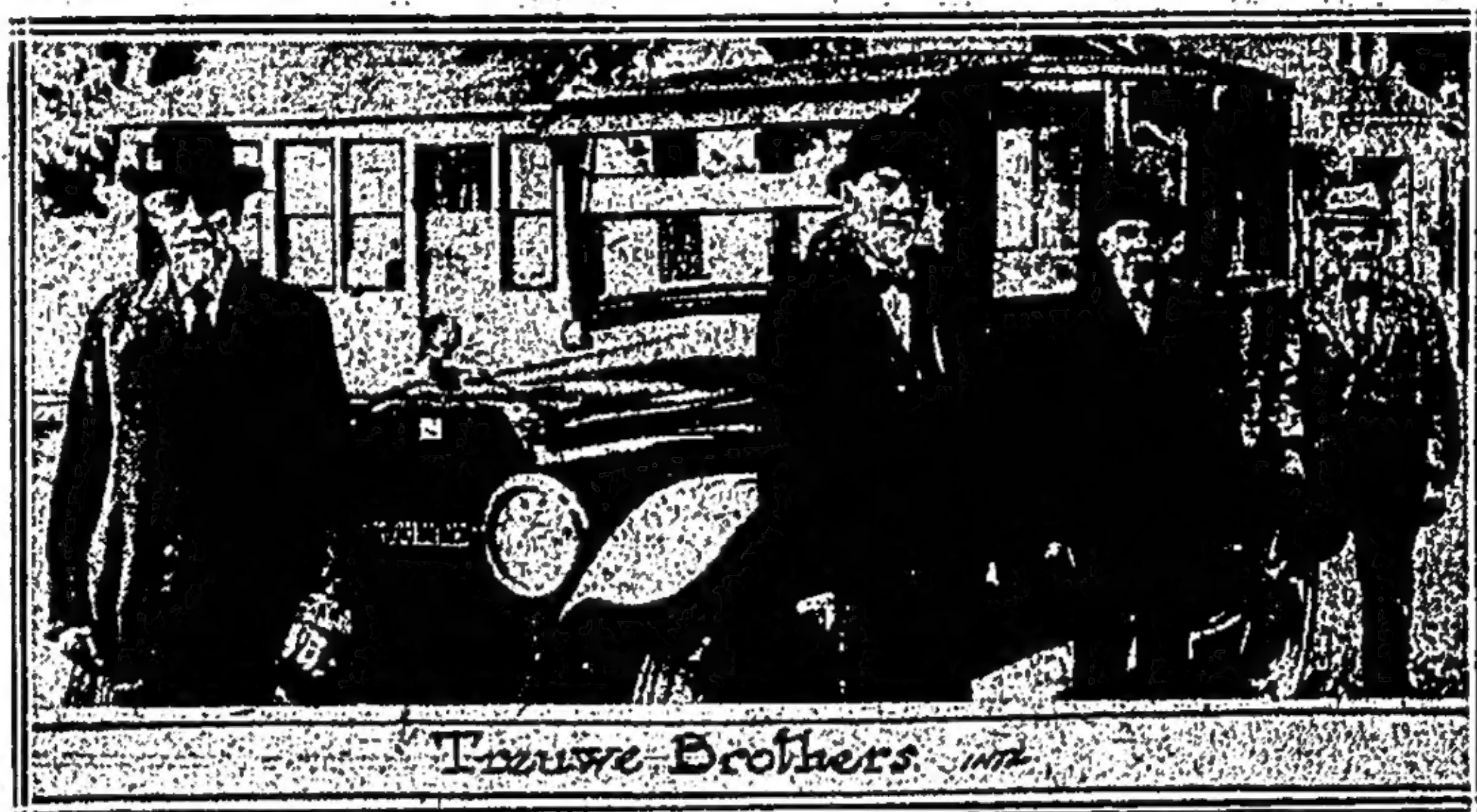


Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon.

The Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon are shown leaving the home of Lord Strathmore, in Bruton street, London, for a shopping tour.



Major-General John L. Hines, who succeeds Major-General Harbord as assistant Chief of Staff to General Pershing, is shown here in his office, with the Secretary of War, Mr. Weeks and General John J. Pershing.



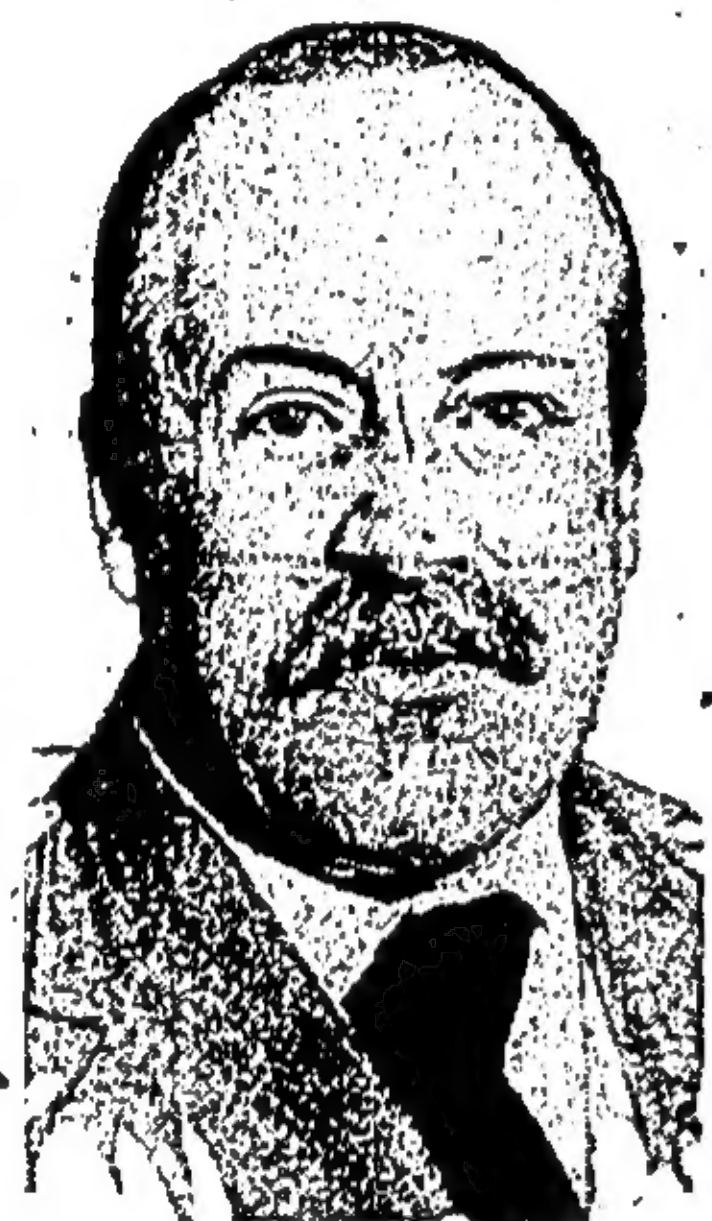
These four brothers have a combined total of 352 years, but they go about their daily tasks as briskly as ever. From left to right, they are: Samuel Treuwe, age 84; James, 87; Benjamin, 89, and John, 92.



French poilus, in Essen, amusing themselves throwing candy to German children.



The engagement of Princess Jolanda, eldest daughter of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena, of Italy, to Captain Count Calvi di Bergolo, of the Italian Army, has been officially announced in Rome.



Charles Ernest Fellow.

Professor Charles Ernest Fellow, formerly Professor of Chemistry at Columbia University, New York City, a native-born American citizen, becomes Viscount of Exmouth through the death in Washington, of his father, Henry E. Fellow, the Sixth Viscount of Exmouth, who succeeded to the title last August. The father retained his American citizenship and refused the title, which the son will accept. Professor Fellow, who was born in 1863, added, however, he would spend half his time in America.



Mr. Alan Gardiner has been retained to translate the hieroglyphics on ancient Egyptian pottery and treasure objects recovered from the tomb of King Tutankhamen.



Better known behind the footlights as Jean Young Mrs. Jean Young Yzquierdo has filed suit against her husband Orlando, for divorce, alleging non-support. She alleges that he supported other women and that he married one of them three years after he married her. Yzquierdo is the heir to millions.

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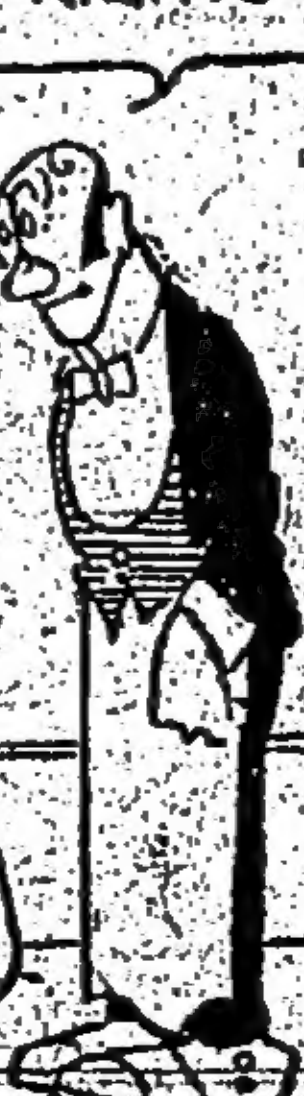
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